TMCC Master Calendar of Town Meeting Related Events

Committees, please email updates/additions/corrections to TMCC – <a href="mailto:townmeeting@amherstma.gov">townmeeting@amherstma.gov</a>
This calendar will be updated on the Town website as new information becomes available. It is intended to give a general idea of when Budget & Zoning related events occur.

| September |               |  |
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|           | Fall Special  | 9/7/11 noon - Citizen Zoning Petition deadline                               |
|           | Town Meeting  | 9/12/11 noon - Citizen Miscellaneous Petition deadline                       |
|           |               | 9/12/11 noon – Staff & Committees list of warrant articles due               |
|           |               | 9/12/11 noon – Preliminary list of warrant articles sent to Select Board     |
|           | TMCC          | Continue plans for Fall Special Town Meeting                                 |
|           |               | Mail TMCC Master Calendar of Budget & Zoning Events to TM members            |
| Budget    | Select Board  | Begin next year's budget process   |
|           |               | Mail End of Year Budget Information to Town Meeting members                  |
|           | BCG           | Begin meeting on next year's budget process                                  |
|           | CDC-CDBG      | RFP's due; Hold public hearing to provide applicants time to present project |
|           |               | proposals  |
|           | CPA           | 9/15/11 Review any potential proposals for Fall Town Meeting                 |
|           | Finance Com   | 9/15/11 Review FY 11 results, OPEB policy alternative                        |
|           | Library Board | Buildings & Facilities Committee discusses possible capital project          |
|           | of Trustees   | proposals to be forwarded to the JCPC and CPA Committees.                    |
| Zoning    | Planning      | 9/6/11 Public Info Session Village Center (Form-Based) Zoning                |
|           | Board         | Hold Public hearings for Fall TM Zoning amendments -                         |
|           |               | 9/21/11 7 pm – Official Zoning Map conversion to GIS format                  |
|           | Zoning        | 9/7 & 9/21 Work on zoning amendments   |
|           | Subcommittee  | 9/7 Deadline for submission of citizen petition zoning amendments            |

| October |               |  |
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|         | Town Meeting  | 10/14/11 First Packet & Warrant mailed to Town Meeting members           |
|         |               | 10/26/11 Second Packet mailed to Town Meeting members                    |
|         | TMCC          | 10/20/11 TMCC/LWV Town Meeting Warrant Review, 7 pm Town Room            |
|         |               | 10/30/11 2-4 pm Bus Tour for Town Meeting members                        |
|         |               | 10/22-11/6/11 Precinct Meetings for Town Meeting members and public      |
| Budget  | Select Board  | 10/7/11 Sign the November Town Meeting Warrant                           |
|         |               | Take positions on Fall Town Meeting warrant articles                     |
|         |               | Set FY13 Budget Policy Guidelines  |
|         |               | 10/13 – 7:00 p.m. Four Boards Meeting (SB, FC, SC, Lib.)                 |
|         |               | 10/17 Public Hearing on Budget Policy Guidelines                         |
|         |               | 10/24 Finalize Budget Policy Guidelines;                                 |
|         |               | Review FY12 1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter budget update                        |
|         |               | CDBG grant – review recommendations → Town Manager                       |
|         | BCG           | Review financial projections; Set budget development calendar            |
|         | CDC-CDBG      | Hold public hearing; announce recommendations to Town Manager for        |
|         |               | CDBG funding; Town staff and CDC to complete CDBG application            |
|         | CPA           | Send out Call for Proposals Letter                                       |
|         | Finance Com   | Make recommendations for Special Town Meeting, FY 13 projections         |
|         | Library Board | Discuss capital projects proposed by the Building & Facilities Committee |
|         | Schools       | Begin budget talks; Superintendent begins compiling her list             |
| Zoning  | Planning      | Hold Public hearings for Fall TM Zoning amendments - tentative           |
|         | Board         | 10/ 5/11 7 pm – North Amherst Village rezoning?                          |
|         |               | 10/19/11 7 pm – Atkins Corners rezoning                                  |
|         |               | Send Zoning Article Reports to Town Meeting members                      |
|         |               | 10/18/11 Town/Commercial Relations Committee makes recommend-ations      |
|         |               | on articles.   |

| November |                           |  |
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|          | Town Meeting              | 11/7/11 Fall Special Town Meeting (also reserved Nov. 9, 14, 16, 21, 28, and 30)   |
|          | TMCC                      | TMCC Precinct Meetings continue  |
| Budget   | Select Board              |  |
|          | Finance Com               | Recommend spending guidelines → Town Manager, Select Board, School Committee, Supt. of Schools, Library Director, Trustees   |
|          | Library Board of Trustees | Discusses budget issues for the FY2013 budget. Continue discussion of Library's proposals for CPAC and JCPC funding. Present library proposals for CPAC to the Historical Commission |
|          | Schools                   | Continue compiling budgets   |
|          | Town Manager              | Continue preparing municipal budget  |

| December |               |  |
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| Budget   | Select Board  | Annual Property Tax Classification Hearing/Setting Tax Rate                |
|          | CDC-CDBG      | 12/16/11 Town's CDBG Application due                                       |
|          | CPA           | Deadline for FY13 Proposals  |
|          | Library Board | Director presents budget to Trustees; continue budget discussions          |
|          | Schools       | Continue compiling budgets   |
|          | Town Manager  | Continue preparing municipal budget  |
| Zoning   | Zoning        | Hold <b>Zoning Forum to determine priorities for zoning amendments</b> for |
|          | Subcommittee  | 2012 Annual Town Meeting   |
|          |               | Continue/begin work on zoning amendments                                   |

| January |               |   |
|---------|---------------|---|
| _       | TMCC          | Begin plans for 2012 Annual Town Meeting                                      |
| Budget  | Select Board  | 1/13/12: Hold special meeting with Finance Committee for Town Manager's       |
|         |               | Budget Presentation,  |
|         |               | Last meeting in month: Review 2nd Q budget update;                            |
|         |               | Vote water/sewer rate   |
|         | BCG           | Review budgets  |
|         | CPA           | Review submitted proposals; create list of questions for further information, |
|         |               | if needed; schedule presentations   |
|         | Finance Com   | Review proposed budgets, begin FY 13 budget hearings to review                |
|         |               | preliminary budgets by department   |
|         | JCPC          | Begin reviewing capital requests  |
|         | Library Board | Vote spending rate for FY2013 draw from Endowment;                            |
|         |               | Vote final budget for the Library for FY2013.                                 |
|         | Schools       | Prepare and present Preliminary Budget  |
|         | Town Manager  | Jan. 16 deadline to present municipal budget to Select Board                  |
| Zoning  | Zoning        | Work on zoning amendments   |
|         | Subcommittee  |   |

| February |                |   |
|----------|----------------|---|
|          | Annual Town    | Deadline for submission of citizen petition zoning amendments?  |
|          | Meeting        | Deadline to submit nomination to run for Town Meeting & Town Offices ALL 240 Town Meeting seats to be elected due to redrawn precinct lines |
|          |                | Deadline for submission of citizen miscellaneous petitions?   |
|          | TMCC           | Continue planning for 2012 Annual Town Meeting  |
| Budget   | Select Board   | Review and ask Qs re: TMgr's Budget; receive updates on State outlook   |
|          | BCG            | Review budgets  |
|          | CPA            | Review proposals & presentations; schedule Public Hearing   |
|          | Finance Com    | Budget hearings to review preliminary budgets by department   |
|          | JCPC           | Continue reviewing capital requests by department   |
|          | Library Board  | Present proposals for funding to CPAC and JCPC  |
|          | Schools        | Hold Elementary Budget Forum  |
|          |                | and hold 4 Town Regional Budget Forum   |
| Zoning   | Planning Board | Hold zoning amendment public hearings   |
|          | Zoning Subcom  | Work on zoning amendments   |

| March  |                        |   |
|--------|------------------------|---|
|        | Annual Town<br>Meeting | Deadline for submission of Town board zoning amendments?  |
|        | TMCC                   | Continue planning for 2012 Annual Town Meeting  |
| Budget | Select Board           | Review budget options and updates on State outlook  |
|        | BCG                    | Consider consolidated budget, revisions by agreement and recommendations to FinCom  |
|        | CPA                    | Public Hearing; vote recommendations on proposals   |
|        | Finance Com            | Budget hearings to review preliminary budgets by Department, consider input from BCG and other towns in region; begin review of other TM warrant articles |
|        | JCPC                   | Continue reviewing capital requests by department   |
|        | Library Board          | Trustees review budget options; discuss proposed Library budget with Finance Committee  |
|        | Schools                | 4 Town Regional budget meeting; Review budget options   |
| Zoning | Planning<br>Board      | Deadline for submission of Planning Board zoning amendments Hold Zoning Bylaw amendment public hearings   |
|        | Zoning Subcom          | Work on zoning amendments   |

| April  |              |  |
|--------|--------------|--|
|        | Town Meeting | Packets mailed to Town Meeting members – dates TBA                   |
|        |              | 4/3/12 Annual Town Election – all 240 TM seats open for election     |
|        |              | 4/30/12 - 2012 Annual Town Meeting begins                            |
|        | TMCC         | TMCC / LWV Town Meeting Warrant Review                               |
|        |              | TMCC Bus Tour; TMCC Precinct Meetings                                |
| Budget | Select Board | Sign 2012 Annual Town Meeting Warrant                                |
|        |              | Review Finance Committee's Recommendations                           |
|        |              | Take positions on ATM warrant articles                               |
|        |              | Last Meeting in month – 3rd Quarter Budget update                    |
|        | BCG          | Consider any revisions that may be necessary to prior agreements and |
|        |              | recommendations (e.g., due to change in estimated state aid)         |
|        | CPA          | Send out Report to Annual Town Meeting                               |
|        | Finance Com  | Consider recommendations and latest estimates on budget needs and    |
|        |              | resources; continue review of other articles,                        |
|        |              | Vote budget-related recommendations                                  |

|        |                | Send out Report to Annual Town Meeting             |
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| April  | JCPC           | Vote capital budget recommendations                |
| cont'd |                | Send out Report to Annual Town Meeting             |
|        | Library Board  | Trustees review budget options                     |
|        | Schools        | Review budget options                              |
| Zoning | Planning Board | Hold Zoning Bylaw amendment public hearings        |
|        |                | Send Planning Board Zoning Reports to Town Meeting |

| May    |              |   |
|--------|--------------|---|
|        | Town Meeting | Annual Town Meeting – dates TBA                                       |
|        | TMCC         | TMCC Election   |
| Budget | Finance Com  | Consider budget revisions prior to TM consideration due to changes in |
|        |              | circumstances (e.g., revisions in projected revenue)                  |

| June   |              |   |
|--------|--------------|---|
|        | Town Meeting | Annual Town Meeting concludes                                   |
|        |              | Fiscal year ends June 30  |
|        | TMCC         | Begin review of Annual Town Meeting                             |
| Budget | Select Board | Set Fall Town Meeting dates                                     |
| _      |              | Hold Post-TM discussion wrap-up                                 |
|        |              | Make committee appointments and reappointments                  |
|        | CDC-CDBG     | Community input to help refine Community Development Strategy   |
| Zoning | Planning     | Hold Post-TM discussion wrap-up                                 |
|        | Board        |   |
|        | Zoning       | Public Forum held to determine priorities for zoning amendments |
|        | Subcommittee | ZSC continues/begins work on zoning amendments                  |

| July   |              |   |
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|        | Town Meeting | Fiscal Year begins July 1   |
|        | TMCC         | Review of Annual Town Mtg with Moderator, Town Manager, and Clerk |
|        |              | Begin plans for Fall Special Town Meeting                         |
| Budget | CDC-CDBG     | Community input to help refine Community Development Strategy     |
| Zoning | Zoning       | Work on zoning amendments for Fall Special Town Meeting           |
|        | Subcommittee |   |

| August |               |  |
|--------|---------------|--|
|        | TMCC          | Plan for Fall Special Town Meeting                             |
| Budget | Select Board  | Set Annual Town Meeting/Annual Town Election Dates             |
|        |               | Last meeting of month: 4th Quarter/year-end budget update      |
|        | CDC-CDBG      | CDC-Planning Board Public Hearing on Capital Projects Strategy |
|        |               | Issue RFP's seeking project applications                       |
|        | Library Board | Set goal for annual fund drive                                 |
| Zoning | Zoning        | Work on zoning amendments                                      |
| _      | Subcommittee  |  |